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Moore?

SENATOR MOORE: Yes, 1013.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Okay. I thought that was...

SENATOR MOORE: It's that amendment but it was redrafted to this version of the bill.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Okay, thank you. So there's not any substantial changes from that amendment on page 1013. I just wanted to clarify that for the body. Thank you. I guess, Senator Moore, I would, just for the record, like to say that I appreciate what you're trying to do here. I think LB 775 is a program that should be reevaluated from time to time. I wasn't in the Legislature when the bill was passed, in the first place. If I had been, I must candidly admit to you I probably wouldn't have voted for it, but over the years as we've watched its impact on the state, I believe that by and large it has been a positive influence. That is not to say that I don't think that we need to keep evaluating it, that there aren't some things that don't need to be changed about it, that there aren't some questions that are unanswered about it, but I think we need to look at it on the basis of performance. I just reiterate, I guess, what Senator Warner said in that regard. So I plan to vote against this amendment. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Schimek. Senator Will, you're next.

SENATOR WILL: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I rise in opposition to the Moore amendment. I think it's important to know what this amendment is about. This amendment is about LB 775, purely and simply, and any claims to the contrary are, I believe, misleading because if you want to talk about uniformity, the MAPCO decision aside, we don't have uniformity right now in the State of Nebraska. That's not the stated public policy of the State of Nebraska. When you look at personal property, again, pre- MAPCO, we taxed business property, we don't tax agricultural property, we don't tax charitable property, we don't tax household goods. Within the class of personal property there is no uniformity. The assertion could be made that we do have a uniformity clause that applies to real property. That also is incorrect. We allow homestead exemptions for one thing. We also allow the valuation